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SUBJ: MAJOR EXPORT PROJECT -- GOU PLANS TO PURCHASE OIL TANKER

FOR COMMERCE

1. THE GOU HAS ASKED EMBASSY TO PUBLICIZE ITS INTEREST IN RECEIVING PRICES AND FINANCING POSSIBILITIES FOR PURCHASE OF A NEW CRUDE OIL CARRIER (TANKER) MEETING THE FOLLOWING GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS:

A) A TANKER OF PROVEN DESIGN (NOT A PROTO-TYPE) OF 140,000 METRIC TONS DEAD WEIGHT.

B) STEAM TURBINE POWER PLANT WITH CRUISING SPEED OF 16 KNOTS.

C) AN ELECTRICAL PLANT OF 440 VAC, 60 CPS WITH TWO GENERATORS OF SUFFICIENT POWER SO THAT ONE COULD SUPPLY MAXIMUM CONSUMPTION DEMANDS.

D) AN AUXILIARY POWER PLANT WHICH IN EMERGENCY CONDITIONS WOULD PERMIT NAVIGATION OF 200 KILOMETERS.

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E) THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF CARGO HOLDS CONSISTENT WITH

SHIP'S SIZE, AS IT WILL ONLY BE USED TO TRANSPORT CRUDE OIL.

F) A MINIMUM CRUISING RANGE OF 20,000 NAUTICAL MILES.

G) A MINIMUM OF FOUR DISCHARGE PUMPS.

H) DELIVERY IN EARLY 1977.

2. INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT:

CAPITAN DE NAVIO, MIGUEL A. BUTTERI
COMANDO GENERAL DE LA ARMADA
SERVICIO DE BUGUES AUXILIARES
EDIFICIO DE LA ADUANA, 4TH PISO
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3. REPLIES SHOULD INCLUDE APPROXIMATE CONSTRUCTION TIME, COST, FINANCING TERMS, AND THE NAMES OF SHIPS PREVIOUSLY CONSTRUCTED BY THE FIRM HAVING CHARACTERISTICS SIMILAR TO THOSE ABOVE. CORRESPONDENCE PREFERRED IN SPANISH.

4. THIS IS NOT A GOVERNMENT TENDER BUT A DIRECT GOVERNMENT PURCHASE BY THE URUGUAYAN NAVY, WHICH OPERATES THE MERCHANT MARINE.

5. FYI. THE URUGUAYAN NAVY HAS APPARENTLY CONVINCED THE GOU OF THE NEED TO OWN ITS OWN SUPER-TANKER TO BE OPERATED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE IDB FINANCED PETROLEUM BOUY. PURPOSE OF THIS REQUEST IS TO GATHER AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE FROM POTENTIAL SUPPLIERS SO THAT THE GOU WILL HAVE A WIDE RANGE OF PROPOSALS FROM WHICH TO CHOOSE.
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